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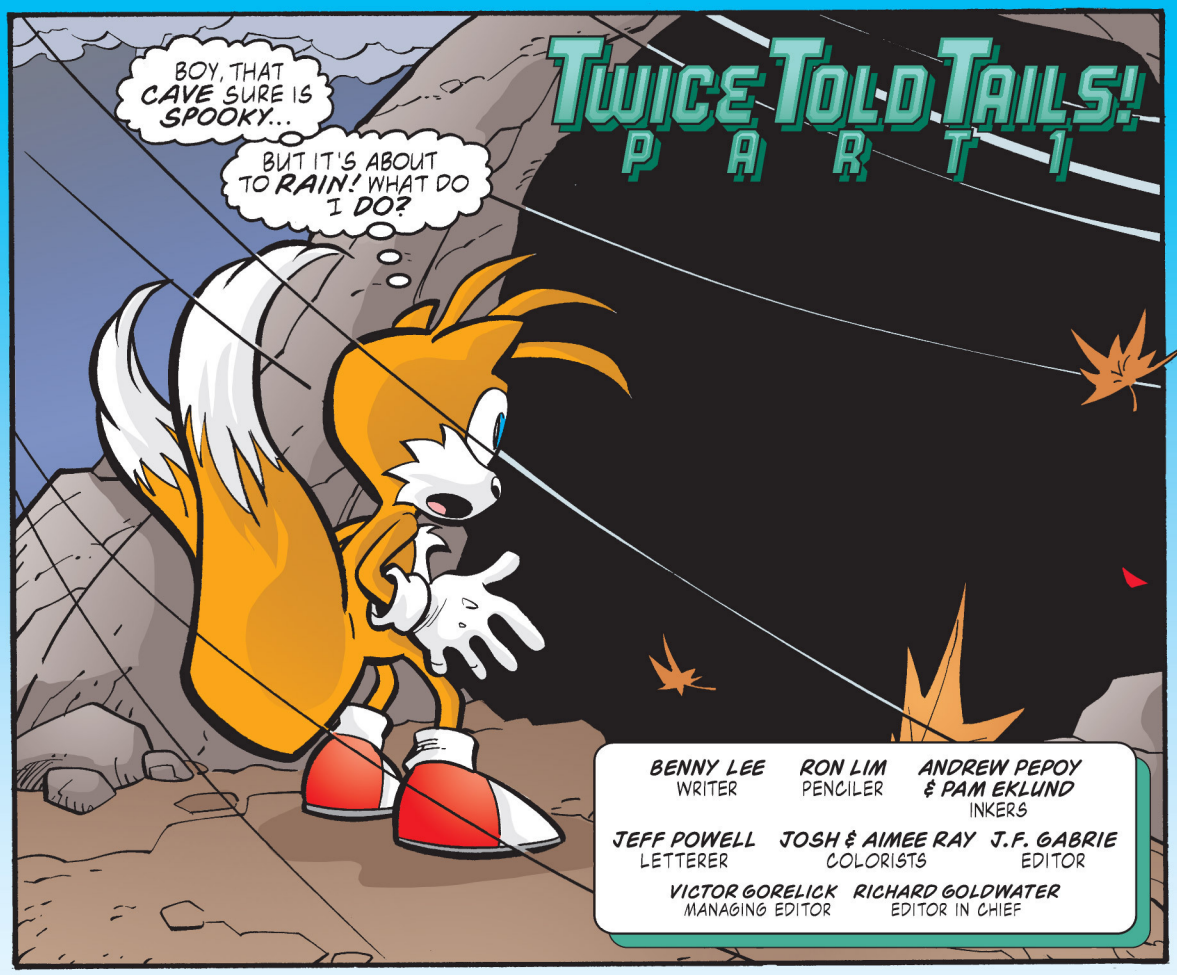

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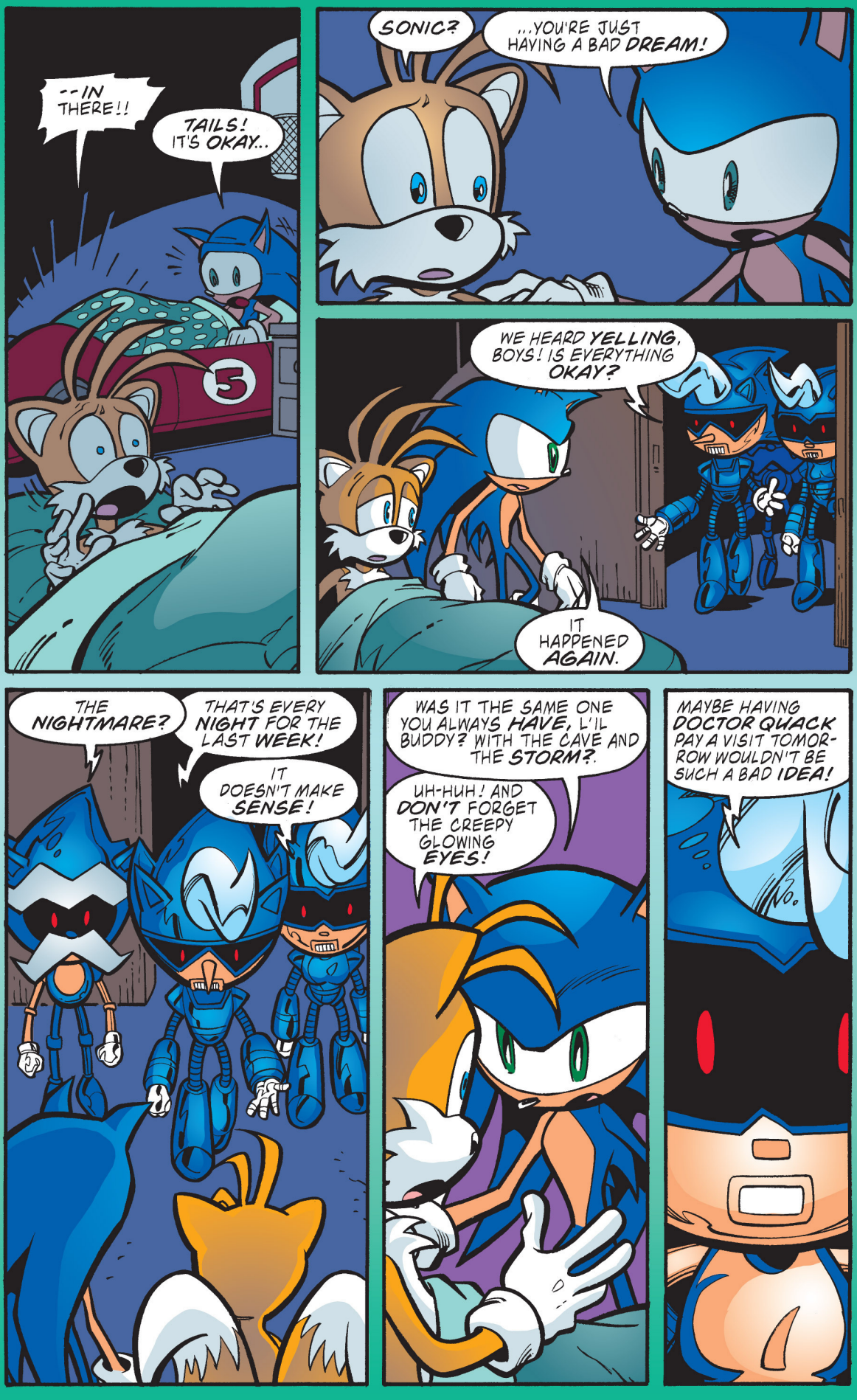
--IN THERE!!
TAILS! IT'S OKAY...
SONIC?
...YOU'RE JUST HAVING A BAD DREAM!
WE HEARD YELLING, BOYS! IS EVERYTHING OKAY?
IT HAPPENED AGAIN.
THE NIGHTMARE?
THAT'S EVERY NIGHT FOR THE LAST WEEK!
IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE!
WAS IT THE SAME ONE YOU ALWAYS HAVE, L'IL BUDDY? WITH THE CAVE AND THE STORM?.
UH-HUH! AND DON'T FORGET THE CREEPY GLOWING EYES!
MAYBE HAVING DOCTOR QUACK PAY A VISIT TOMORROW WOULDN'T BE SUCH A BAD IDEA!
NO.

AWWWW, MAN! NO NEEDLES, RIGHT?
YOU BOYS TRY TO GET SOME REST!
MISSION ACCEPTED, DAD!
NOW, IF YOU HAVE THAT NIGHTMARE AGAIN...
...JUST REMEMBER THAT I'VE GOT YOUR BACK, BUD!
IT'S THE SAME EVERY TIME. THE CAVE. THE STORM. THE EYES. THEY SEEM SO FAMILIAR.
LIKE I'VE SEEN THEM BEFORE. WHAT DOES IT MEAN, HUH, SONIC?
SONIC?
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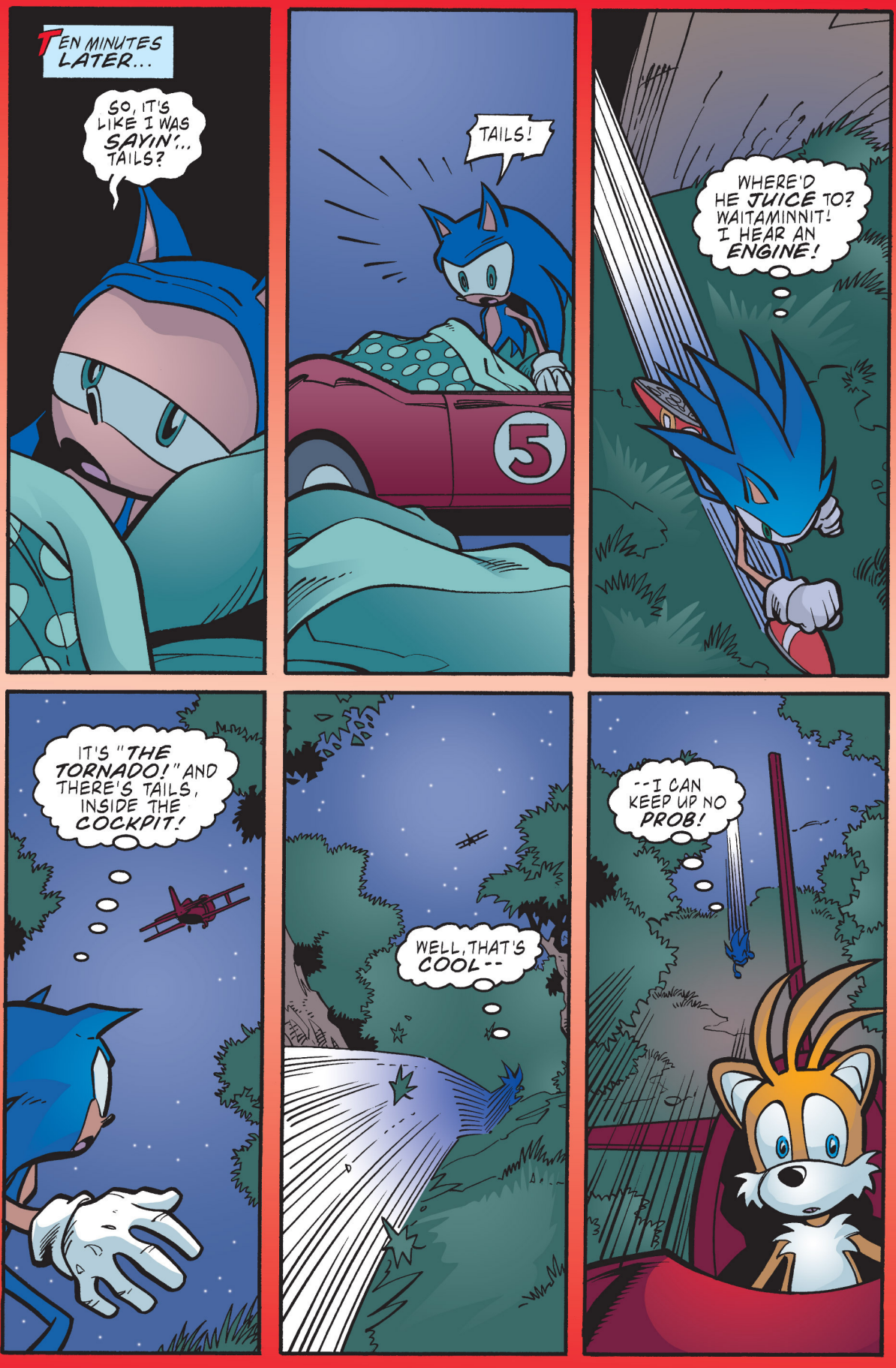
TEN MINUTES LATER...
SO, IT'S LIKE I WAS SAYIN'... TAILS?
TAILS!
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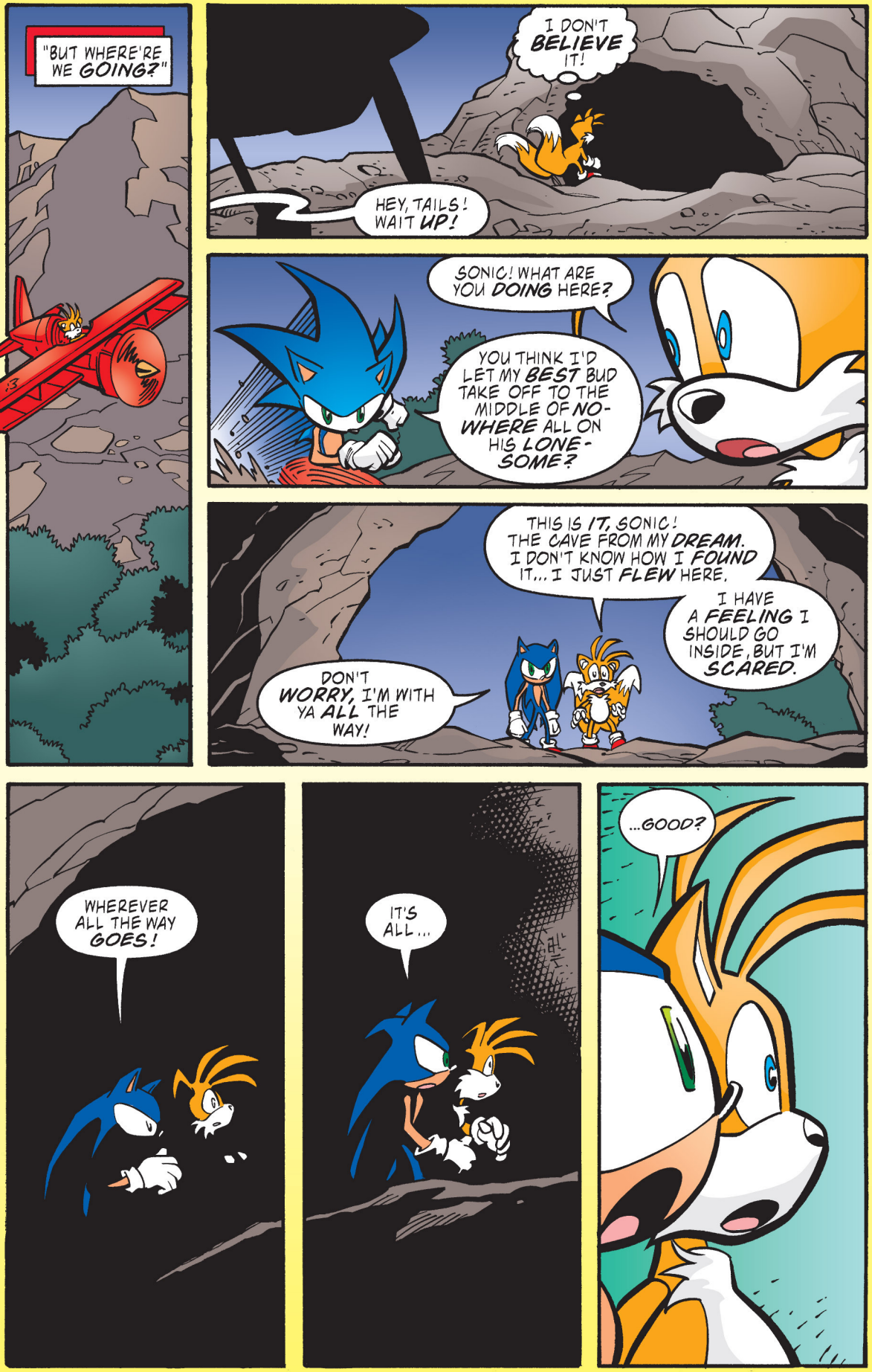
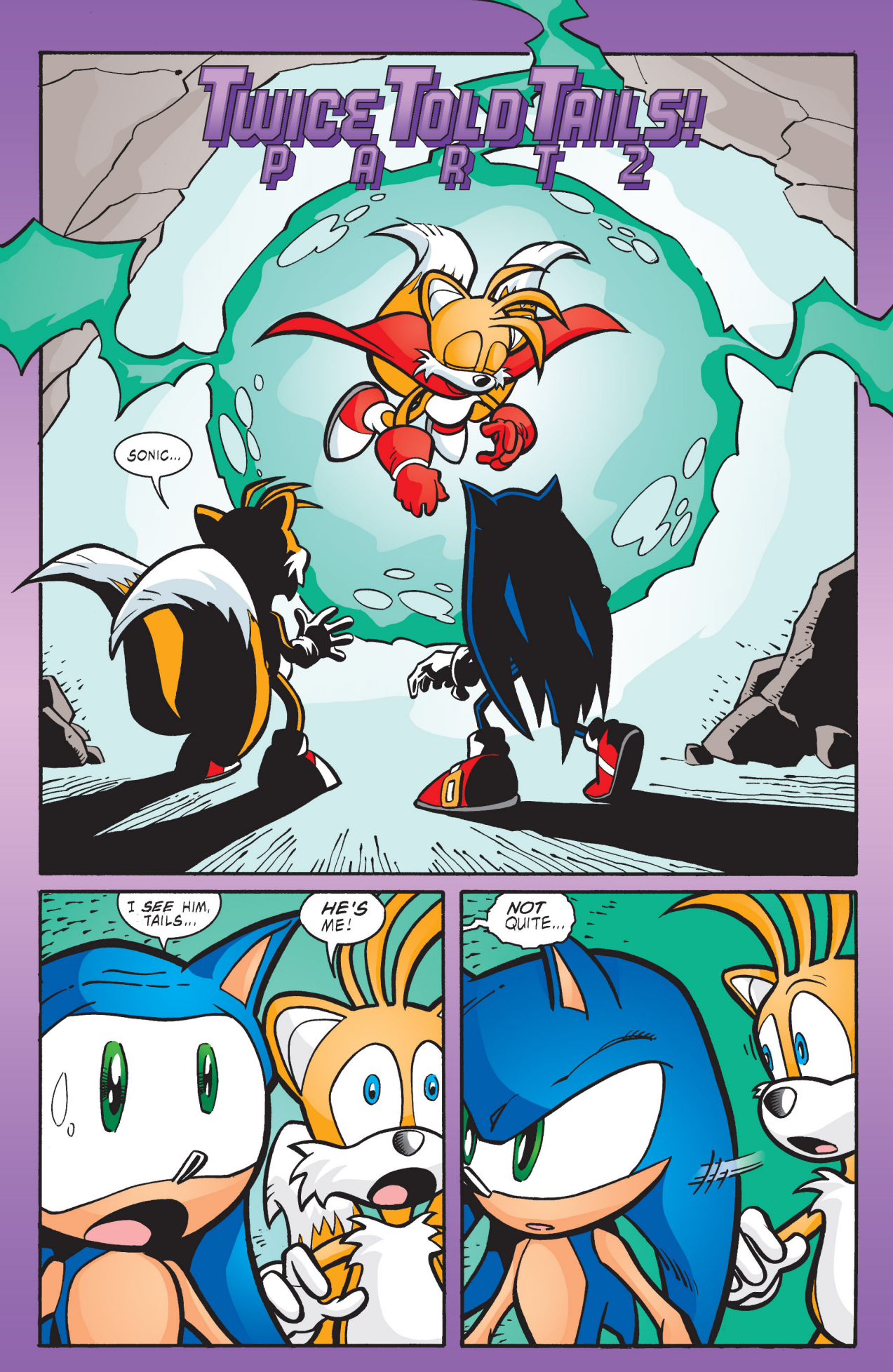
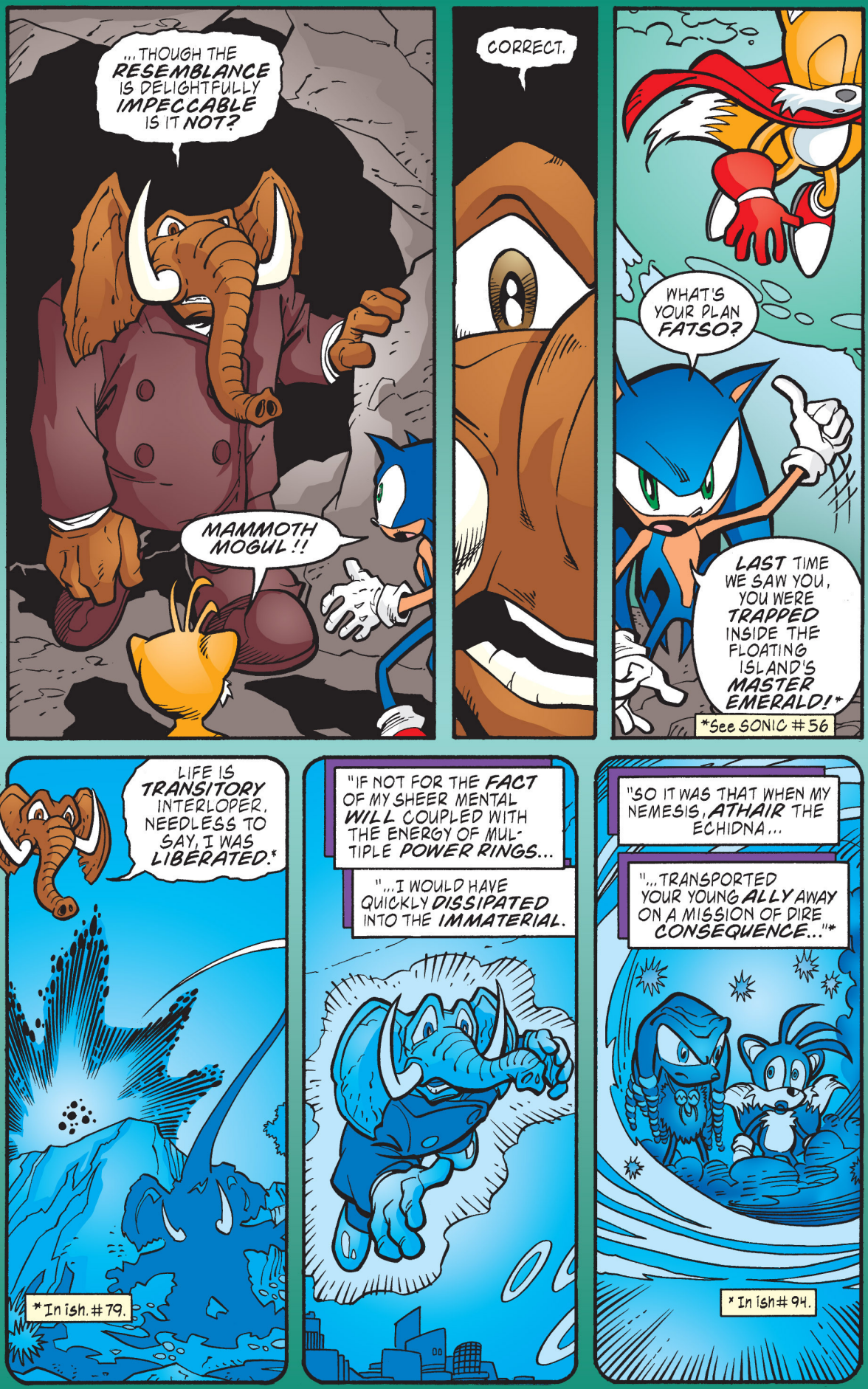
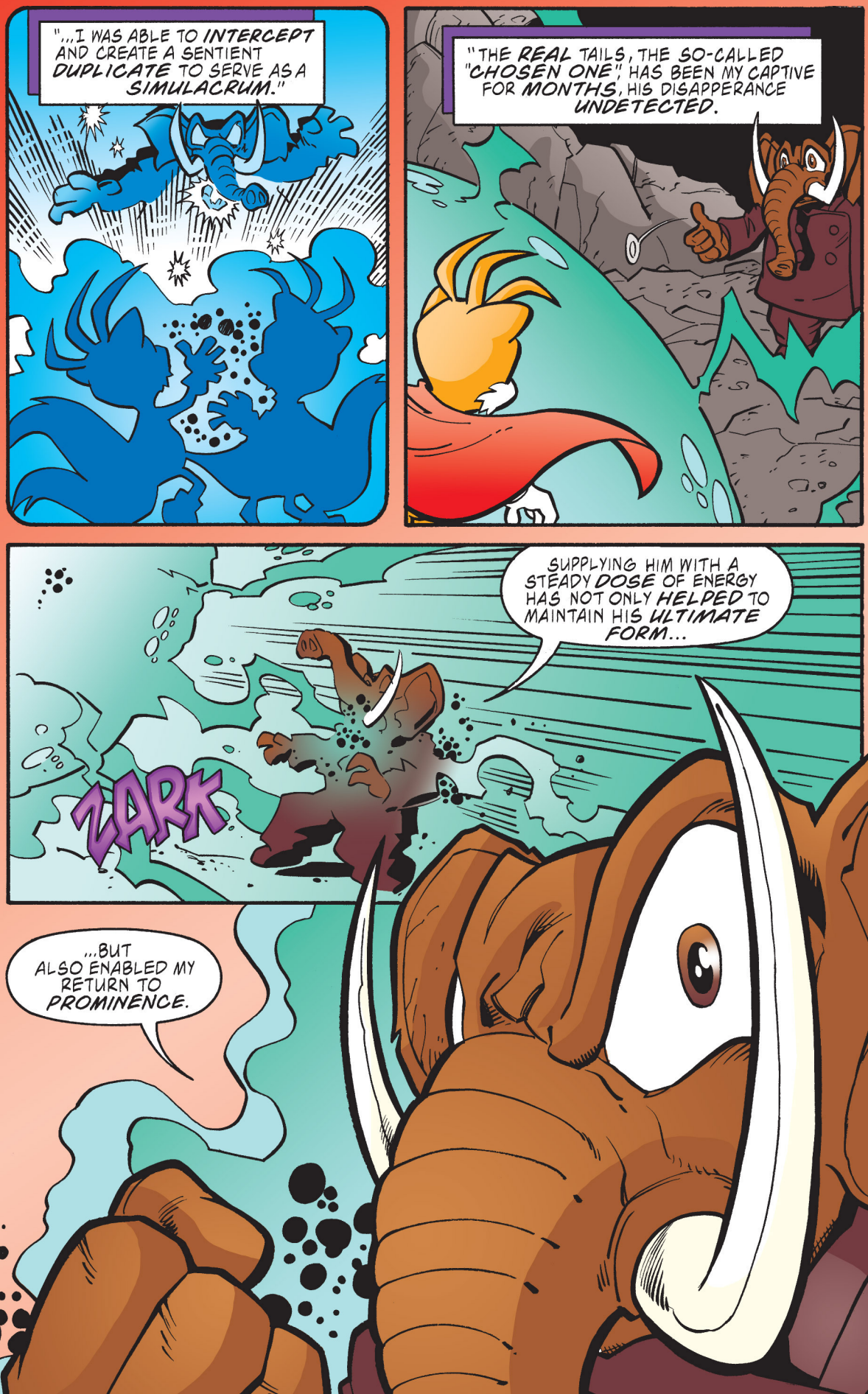
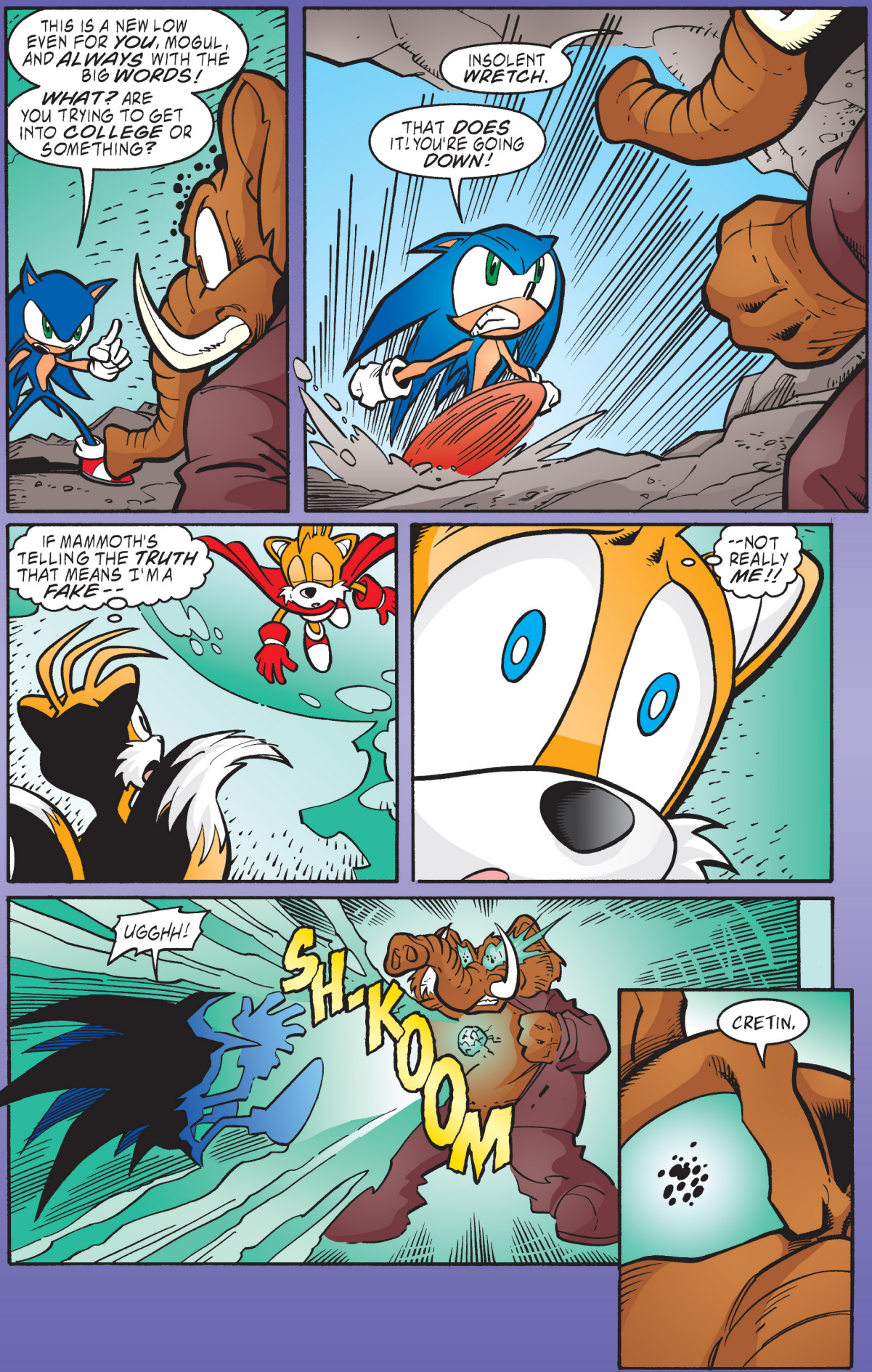
WHERE'D HE JUICE TO? WAITAMINNIT! I HEAR AN ENGINE!
IT'S "THE TORNADO!" AND THERE'S TAILS, INSIDE THE COCKPIT!
WELL, THAT'S COOL--
--I CAN KEEP UP NO PROB!

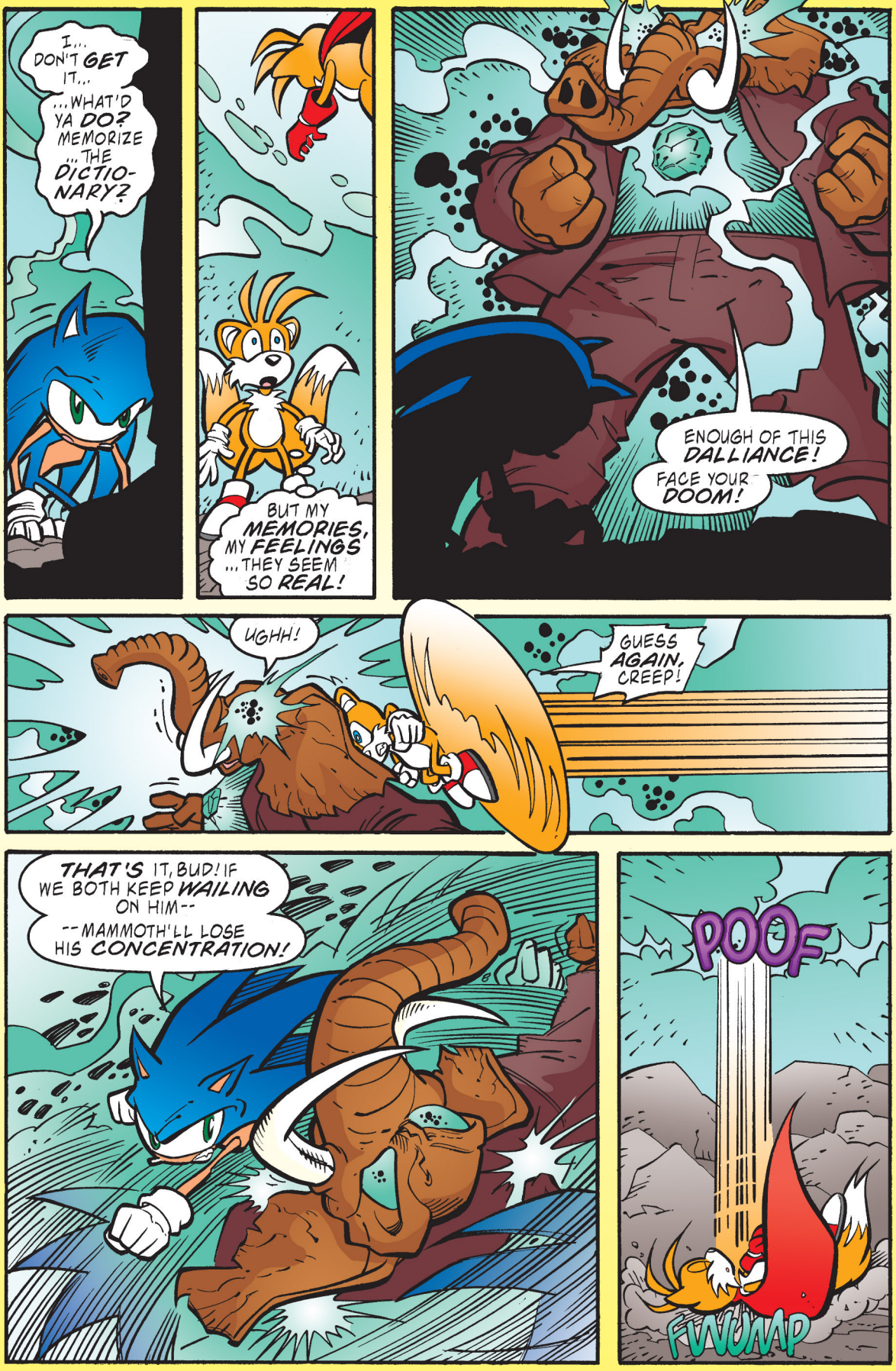

"BUT WHERE'RE WE GOING?"
I DON'T BELIEVE IT!
HEY, TAILS! WAIT UP!
SONIC! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
YOU THINK I'D LET MY BEST BUD TAKE OFF TO THE MIDDLE OF NO-WHERE ALL ON HIS LONE-SOME?
THIS IS IT, SONIC! THE CAVE FROM MY DREAM. I DON'T KNOW HOW I FOUND IT... I JUST FLEW HERE.
I HAVE A FEELING I SHOULD GO INSIDE, BUT I'M SCARED.
DON'T WORRY, I'M WITH YA ALL THE WAY!
WHEREVER ALL THE WAY GOES!
IT'S ALL...
...GOOD?

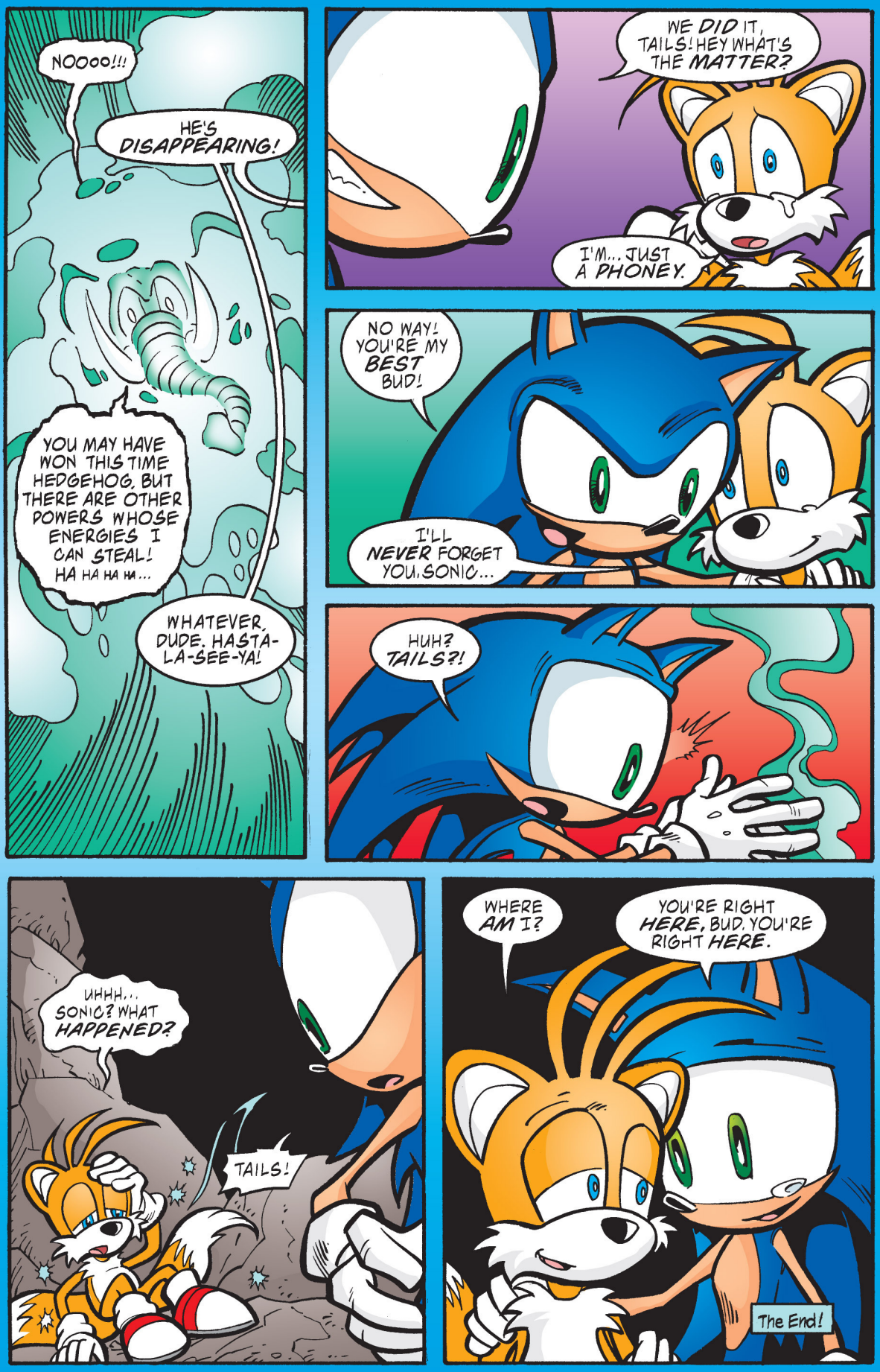

TWICE TOLD TAILS!
PART 2
SONIC...
I SEE HIM, TAILS...
HE'S ME!
NOT QUITE...

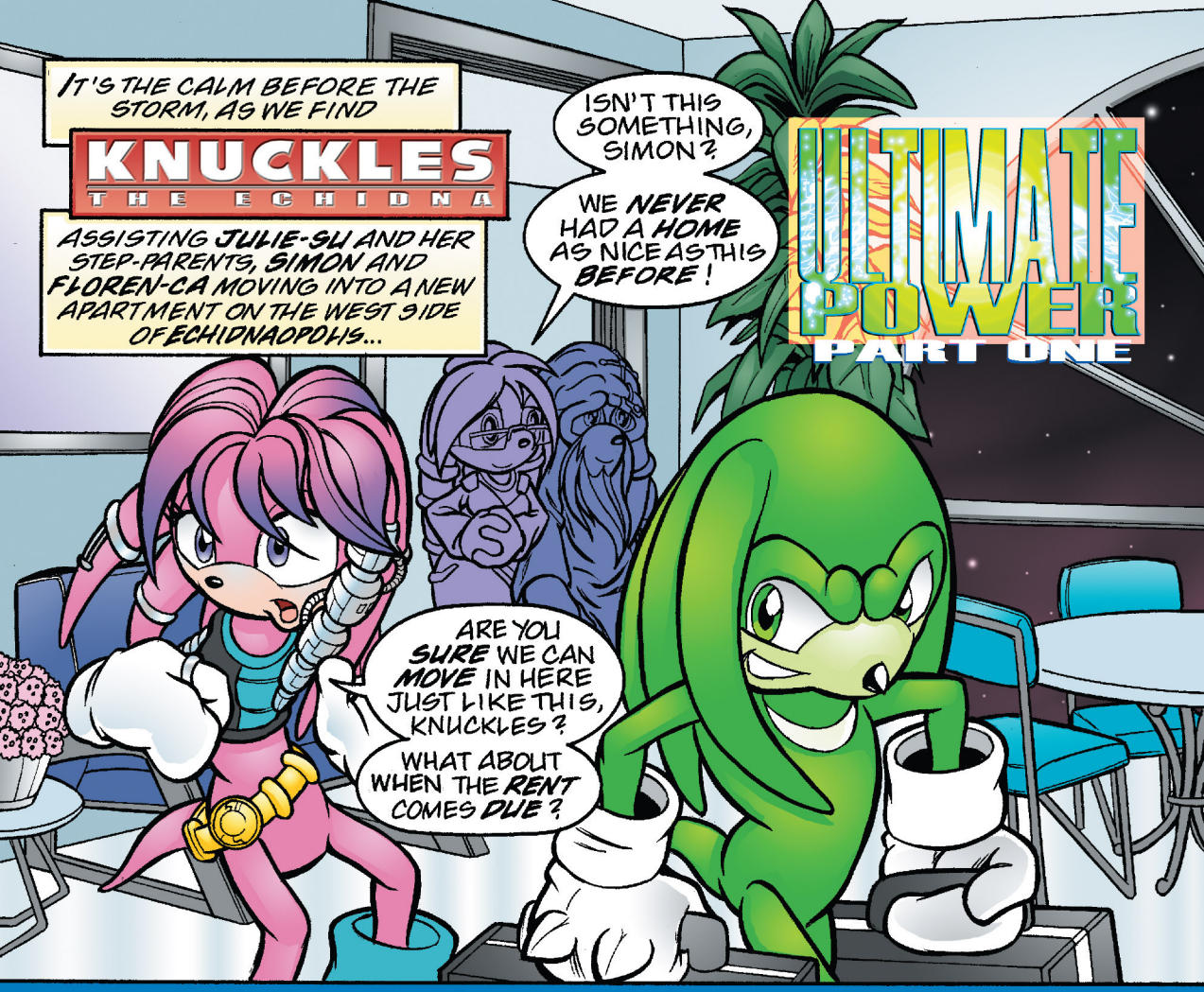

...THOUGH THE RESEMBLANCE IS DELIGHTFULLY IMPECCABLE IS IT NOT?
MAMMOTH MOGUL!!
CORRECT.
WHAT'S YOUR PLAN FATSO?
LAST TIME WE SAW YOU, YOU WERE TRAPPED INSIDE THE FLOATING ISLAND'S MASTER EMERALD!*
*See SONIC #56
LIFE IS TRANSITORY INTERLOPER. NEEDLESS TO SAY, I WAS LIBERATED.*
*In ish. #79.
"IF NOT FOR THE FACT OF MY SHEER MENTAL WILL COUPLED WITH THE ENERGY OF MULTIPLE POWER RINGS...
"...I WOULD HAVE QUICKLY DISSIPATED INTO THE IMMATERIAL.
"SO IT WAS THAT WHEN MY NEMESIS, ATHAIR THE ECHIDNA...
"...TRANSPORTED YOUR YOUNG ALLY AWAY ON A MISSION OF DIRE CONSEQUENCE..."*
*In ish #94.


"...I WAS ABLE TO INTERCEPT AND CREATE A SENTIENT DUPLICATE TO SERVE AS A SIMULACRUM."
"THE REAL TAILS, THE SO-CALLED "CHOSEN ONE", HAS BEEN MY CAPTIVE FOR MONTHS, HIS DISAPPERANCE UNDETECTED.
SUPPLYING HIM WITH A STEADY DOSE OF ENERGY HAS NOT ONLY HELPED TO MAINTAIN HIS ULTIMATE FORM...
ZARK
...BUT ALSO ENABLED MY RETURN TO PROMINENCE.


THIS IS A NEW LOW EVEN FOR YOU, MOGUL, AND ALWAYS WITH THE BIG WORDS!
WHAT? ARE YOU TRYING TO GET INTO COLLEGE OR SOMETHING?
INSOLENT WRETCH.
THAT DOES IT! YOU'RE GOING DOWN!
IF MAMMOTH'S TELLING THE TRUTH THAT MEANS I'M A FAKE--
--NOT REALLY ME!!
UGGHH!
SH-KOOM
CRETIN.


I... DON'T GET IT...
...WHAT'D YA DO? MEMORIZE ...THE DICTIO-NARY?
BUT MY MEMORIES, MY FEELINGS ...THEY SEEM SO REAL!
ENOUGH OF THIS DALLIANCE! FACE YOUR DOOM!
UGHH!
GUESS AGAIN, CREEP!
THAT'S IT, BUD! IF WE BOTH KEEP WAILING ON HIM-- --MAMMOTH'LL LOSE HIS CONCENTRATION!
POOF
FWUMP


NOOoo!!!
HE'S DISAPPEARING!
YOU MAY HAVE WON THIS TIME HEDGEHOG, BUT THERE ARE OTHER POWERS WHOSE ENERGIES I CAN STEAL! HA HA HA HA...
WHATEVER, DUDE. HASTA-LA-SEE-YA!
WE DID IT, TAILS! HEY WHAT'S THE MATTER?
I'M... JUST A PHONEY.
NO WAY! YOU'RE MY BEST BUD!
I'LL NEVER FORGET YOU, SONIC...
HUH? TAILS?!
UHHH... SONIC? WHAT HAPPENED?
TAILS!
WHERE AM I?
YOU'RE RIGHT HERE, BUD. YOU'RE RIGHT HERE.
The End!


IT'S THE CALM BEFORE THE STORM, AS WE FIND
KNUCKLES
THE ECHIDNA
ASSISTING JULIE-SU AND HER STEP-PARENTS, SIMON AND FLOREN-CA MOVING INTO A NEW APARTMENT ON THE WEST SIDE OF ECHIDNAOPOLIS...
ISN'T THIS SOMETHING, SIMON?
WE NEVER HAD A HOME AS NICE AS THIS BEFORE!
ULTIMATE POWER
PART ONE
ARE YOU SURE WE CAN MOVE IN HERE JUST LIKE THIS, KNUCKLES?
WHAT ABOUT WHEN THE RENT COMES DUE?

ONCE AGAIN OUR INTREPID TEAM--

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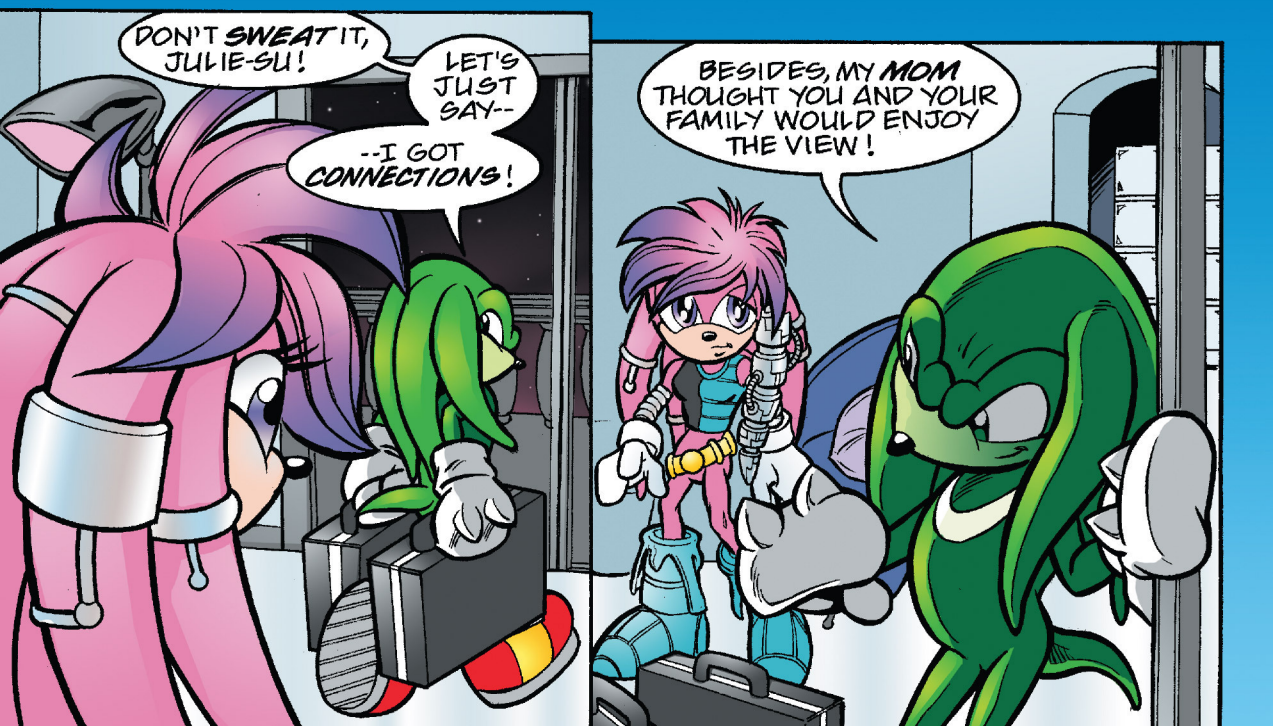
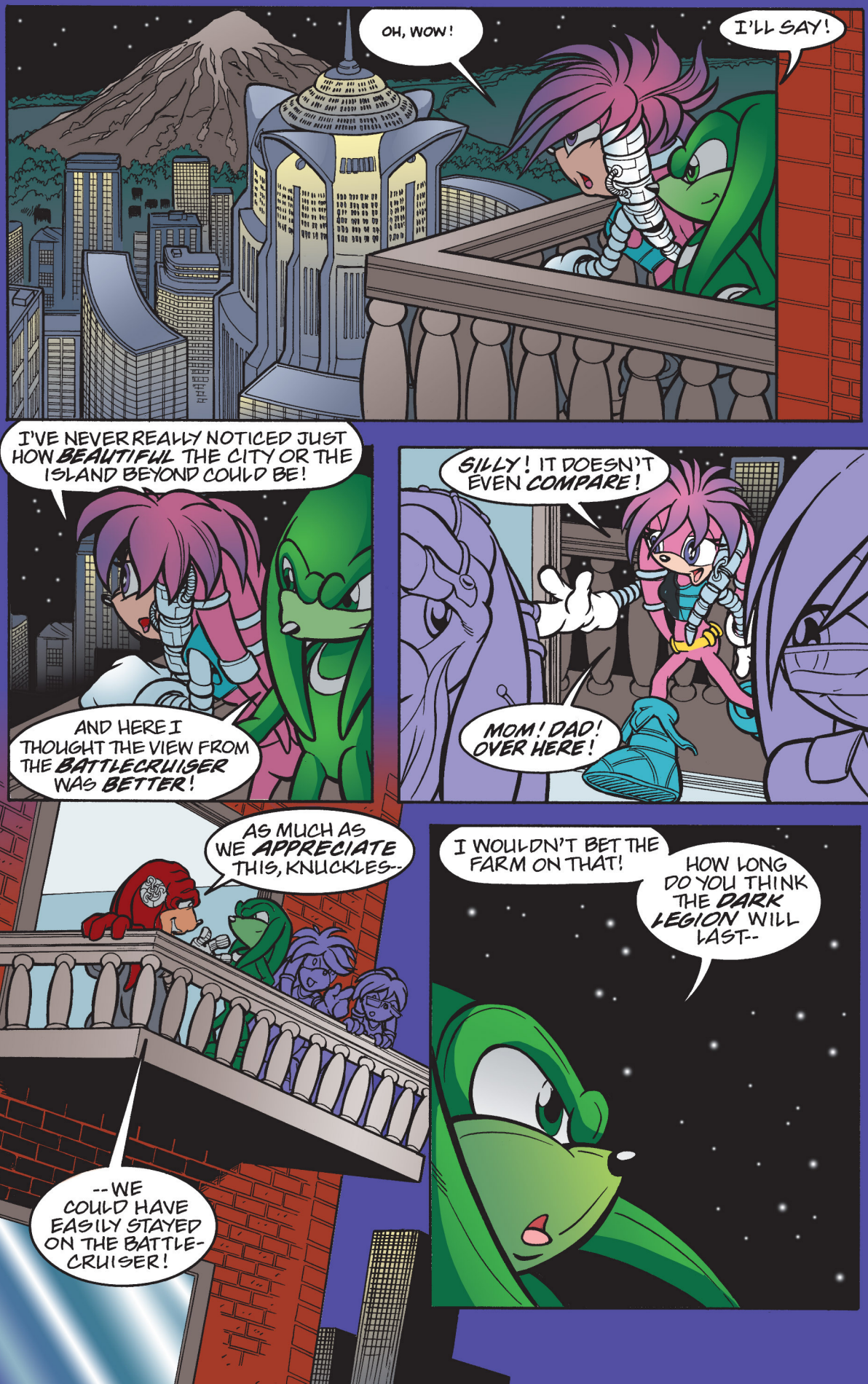
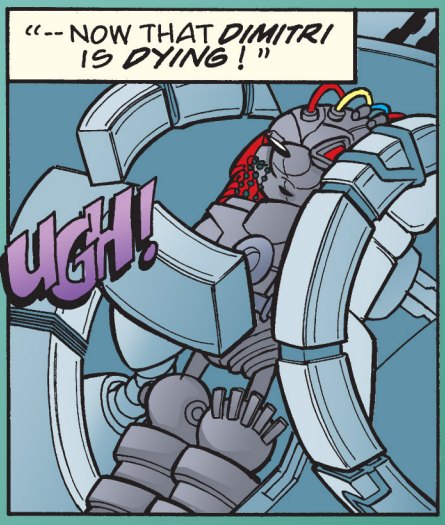
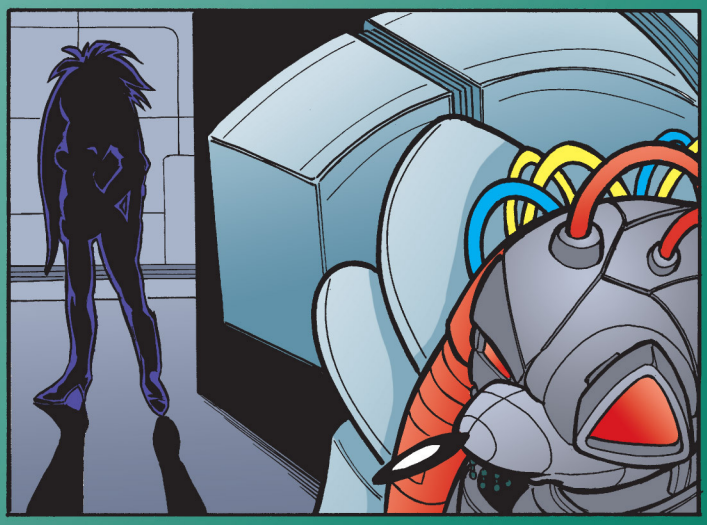
--EMBARKS ON A NEW ADVENTURE FEATURING EVERYONE'S FAVORITE ECHIDNA!




OH, WOW!
I'LL SAY!
I'VE NEVER REALLY NOTICED JUST HOW BEAUTIFUL THE CITY OR THE ISLAND BEYOND COULD BE!
AND HERE I THOUGHT THE VIEW FROM THE BATTLECRUISER WAS BETTER!
SILLY! IT DOESN'T EVEN COMPARE!
MOM! DAD! OVER HERE!
AS MUCH AS WE APPRECIATE THIS, KNUCKLES--
--WE COULD HAVE EASILY STAYED ON THE BATTLE-CRUISER!
I WOULDN'T BET THE FARM ON THAT!
HOW LONG DO YOU THINK THE DARK LEGION WILL LAST--

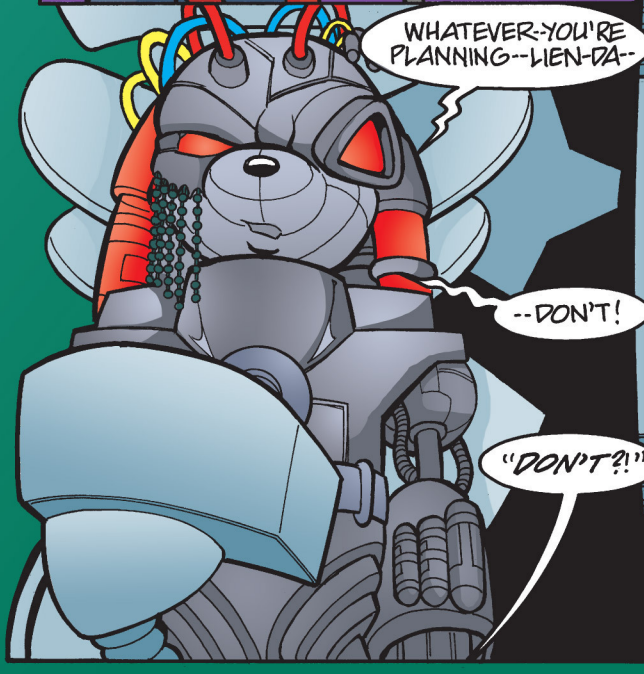

"-- NOW THAT DIMITRI IS DYING!"
UGH!

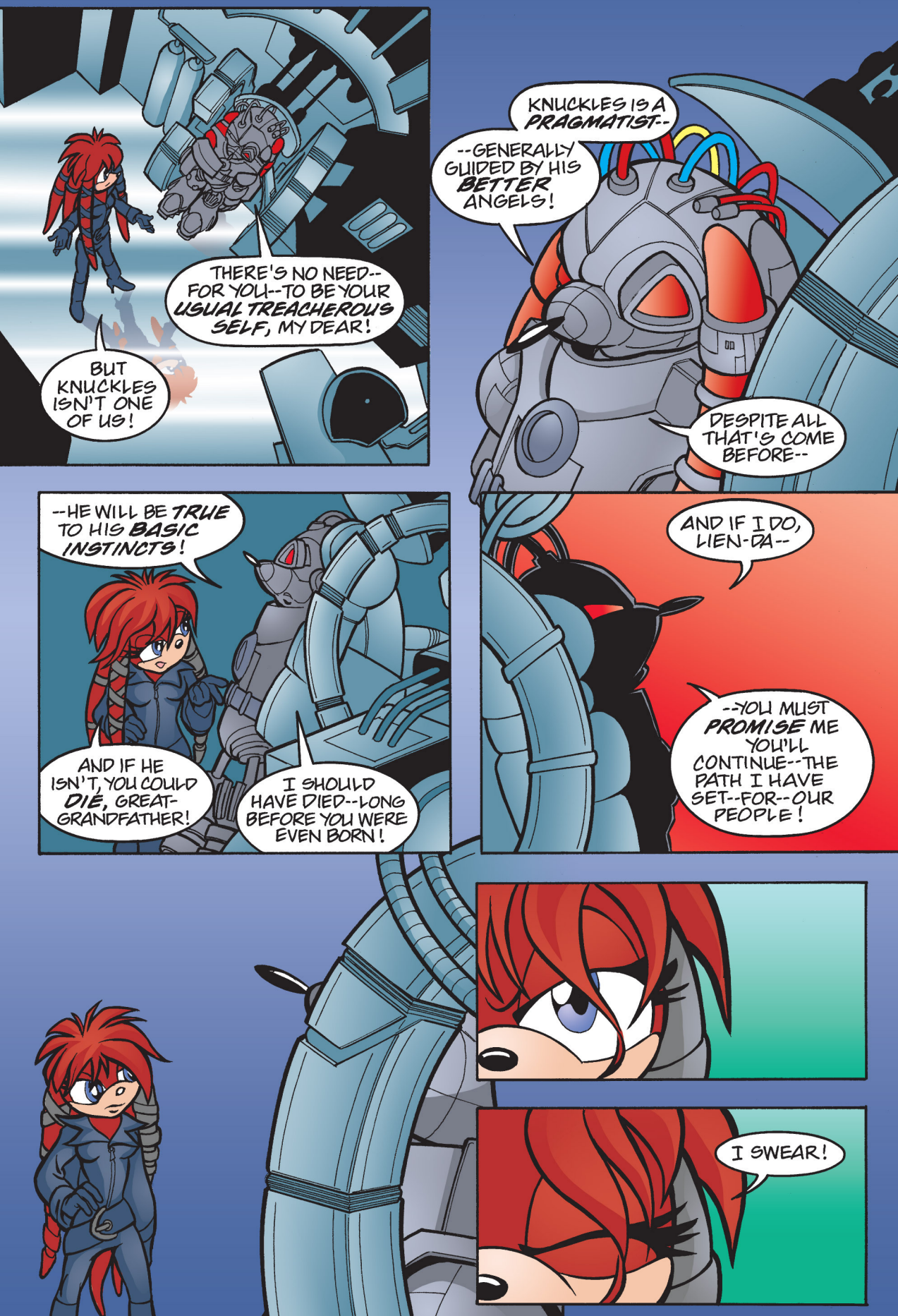


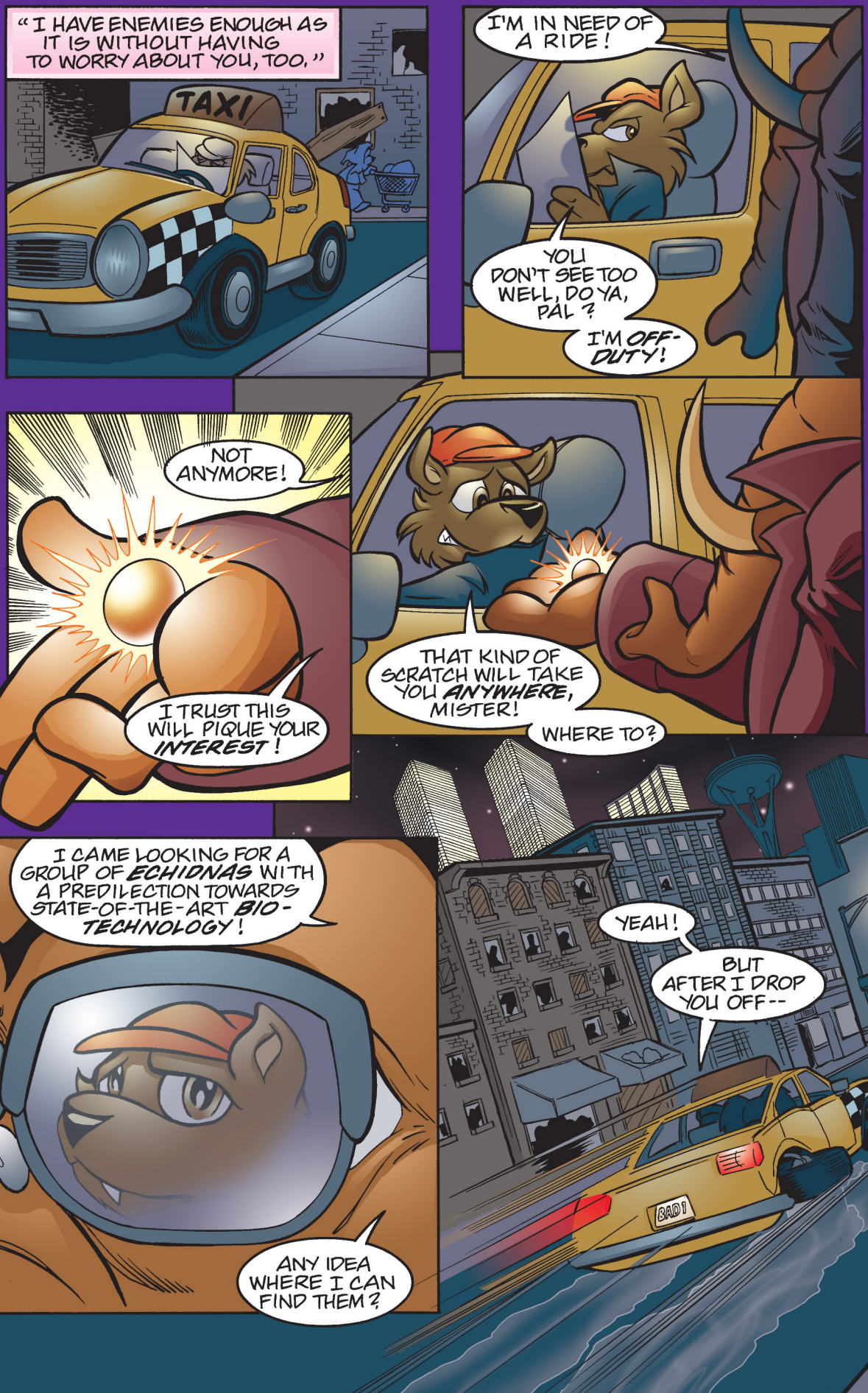
HELLO, GREAT-GRANDFATHER!
STILL NOT DOING TOO WELL, ARE YOU?

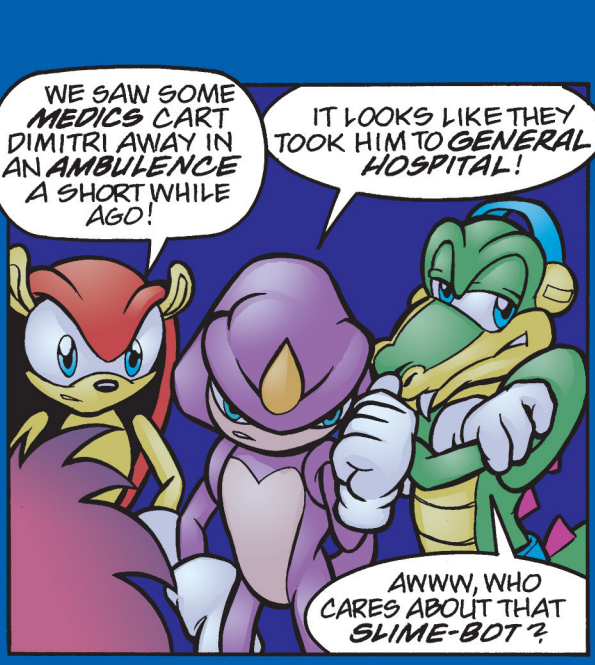
THE DOCTORS SAY EVEN YOUR BIONIC ENHANCEMENTS ARE NOT ENOUGH TO KEEP YOU GOING MUCH LONGER!
THEY'RE BAFFLED BY YOUR TEST RESULTS!

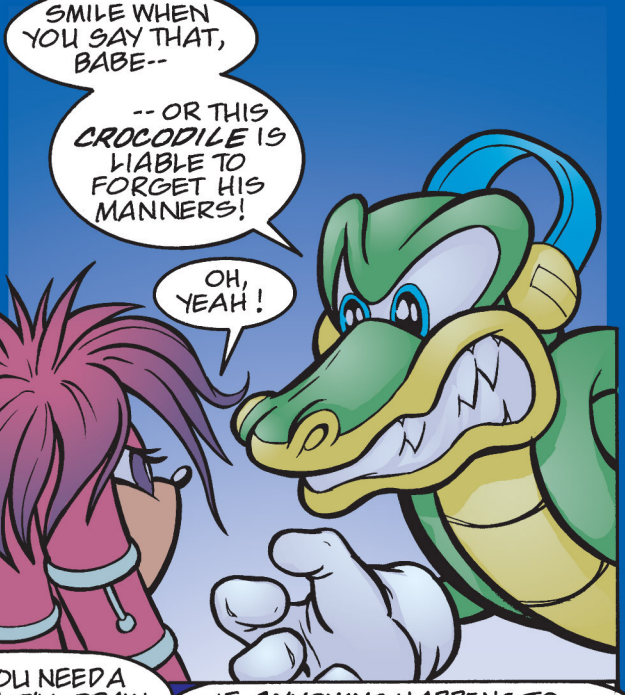
ONLY YOU AND I KNOW WHAT THEY'RE REALLY MISSING, DON'T WE?
AND THAT KNUCKLES IS YOUR ONLY HOPE!

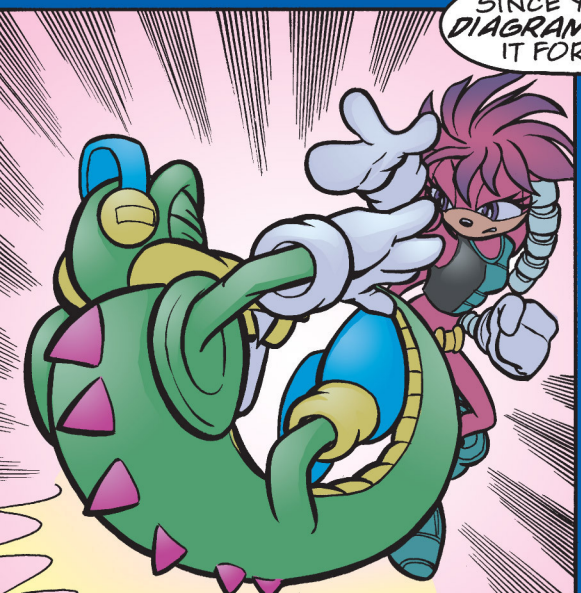

WHATEVER-YOU'RE PLANNING--LIEN-DA--
--DON'T!
"DON'T?!"

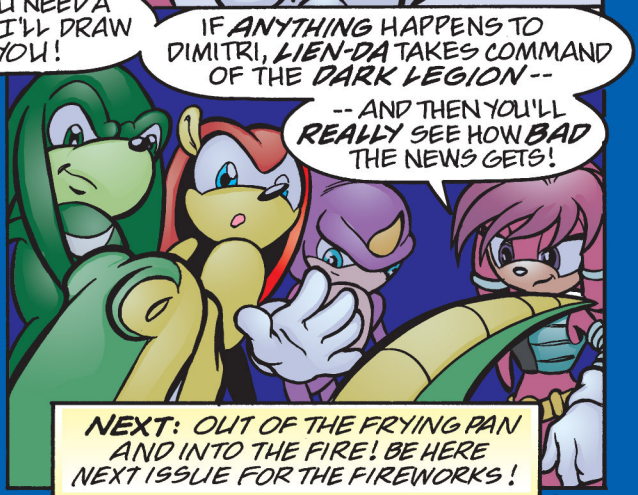

BUT KNUCKLES ISN'T ONE OF US!
THERE'S NO NEED-- FOR YOU--TO BE YOUR USUAL TREACHEROUS SELF, MY DEAR!
KNUCKLES IS A PRAGMATIST--
--GENERALLY GUIDED BY HIS BETTER ANGELS!
DESPITE ALL THAT'S COME BEFORE--
AND IF I DO, LIEN-DA--
--YOU MUST PROMISE ME YOU'LL CONTINUE--THE PATH I HAVE SET--FOR--OUR PEOPLE!
--HE WILL BE TRUE TO HIS BASIC INSTINCTS!
AND IF HE ISN'T, YOU COULD DIE, GREAT-GRANDFATHER!
I SHOULD HAVE DIED--LONG BEFORE YOU WERE EVEN BORN!
I SWEAR!


"I HAVE ENEMIES ENOUGH AS IT IS WITHOUT HAVING TO WORRY ABOUT YOU, TOO."
TAXI
I'M IN NEED OF A RIDE!
YOU DON'T SEE TOO WELL, DO YA, PAL?
I'M OFF-DUTY!
NOT ANYMORE!
I TRUST THIS WILL PIQUE YOUR INTEREST!
THAT KIND OF SCRATCH WILL TAKE YOU ANYWHERE, MISTER!
WHERE TO?
I CAME LOOKING FOR A GROUP OF ECHIDNAS WITH A PREDILECTION TOWARDS STATE-OF-THE-ART BIO-TECHNOLOGY!
ANY IDEA WHERE I CAN FIND THEM?
YEAH!
BUT AFTER I DROP YOU OFF--
BAD!


WE SAW SOME MEDICS CART DIMITRI AWAY IN AN AMBULENCE A SHORT WHILE AGO!
IT LOOKS LIKE THEY TOOK HIM TO GENERAL HOSPITAL!
AWWW, WHO CARES ABOUT THAT SLIME-BOT?







NEXT: OUT OF THE FRYING PAN AND INTO THE FIRE! BE HERE NEXT ISSUE FOR THE FIREWORKS!

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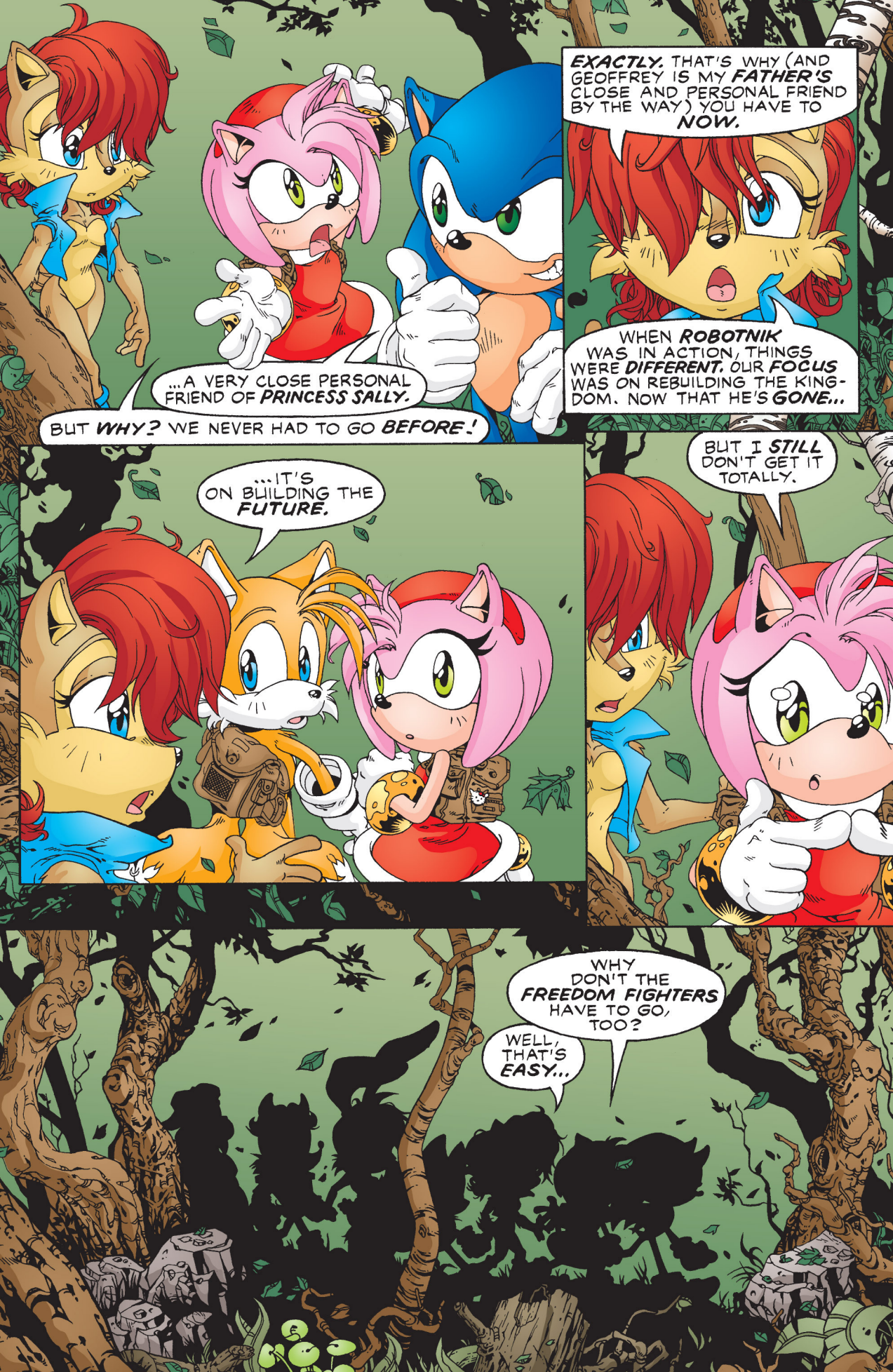
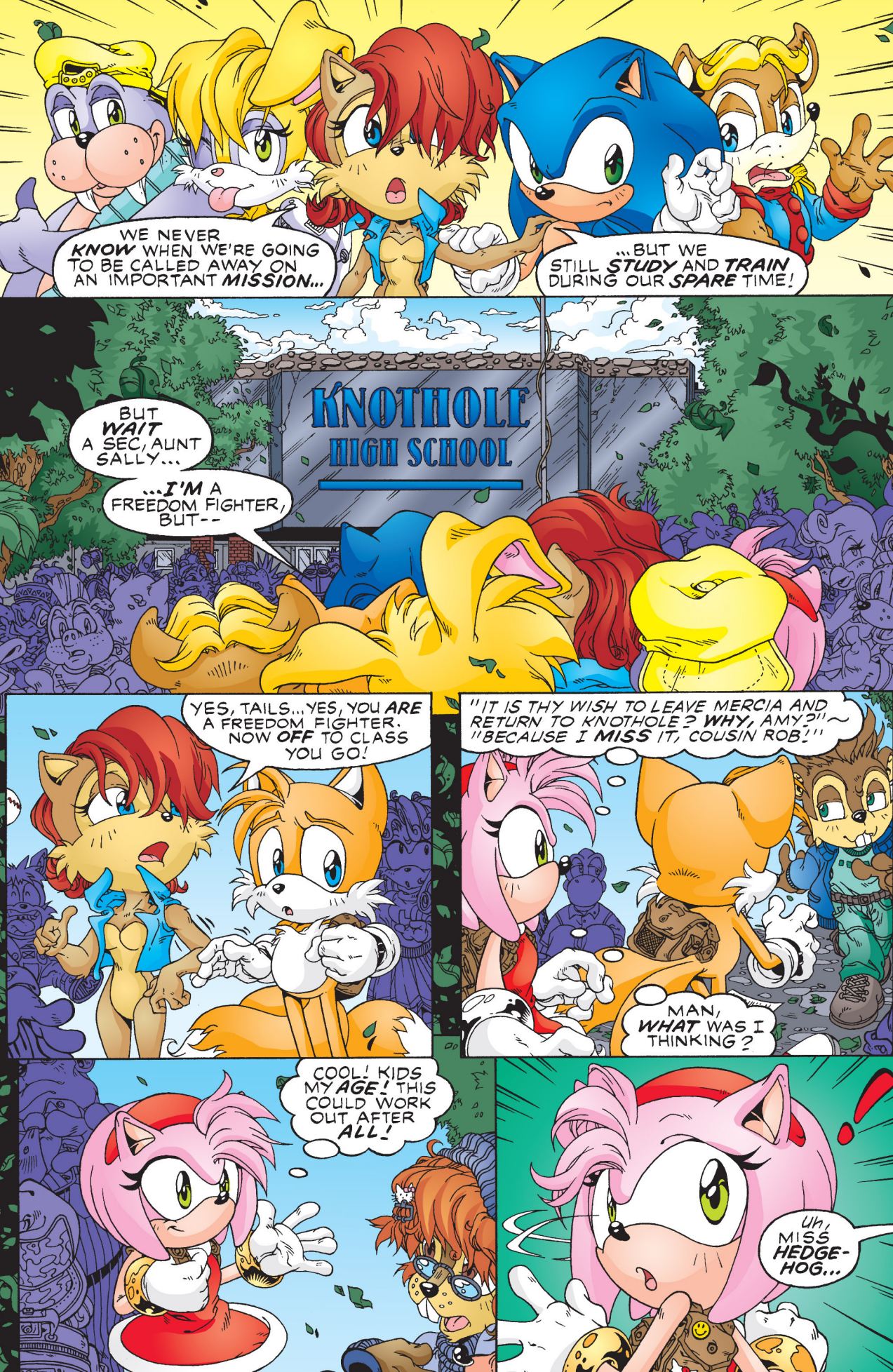
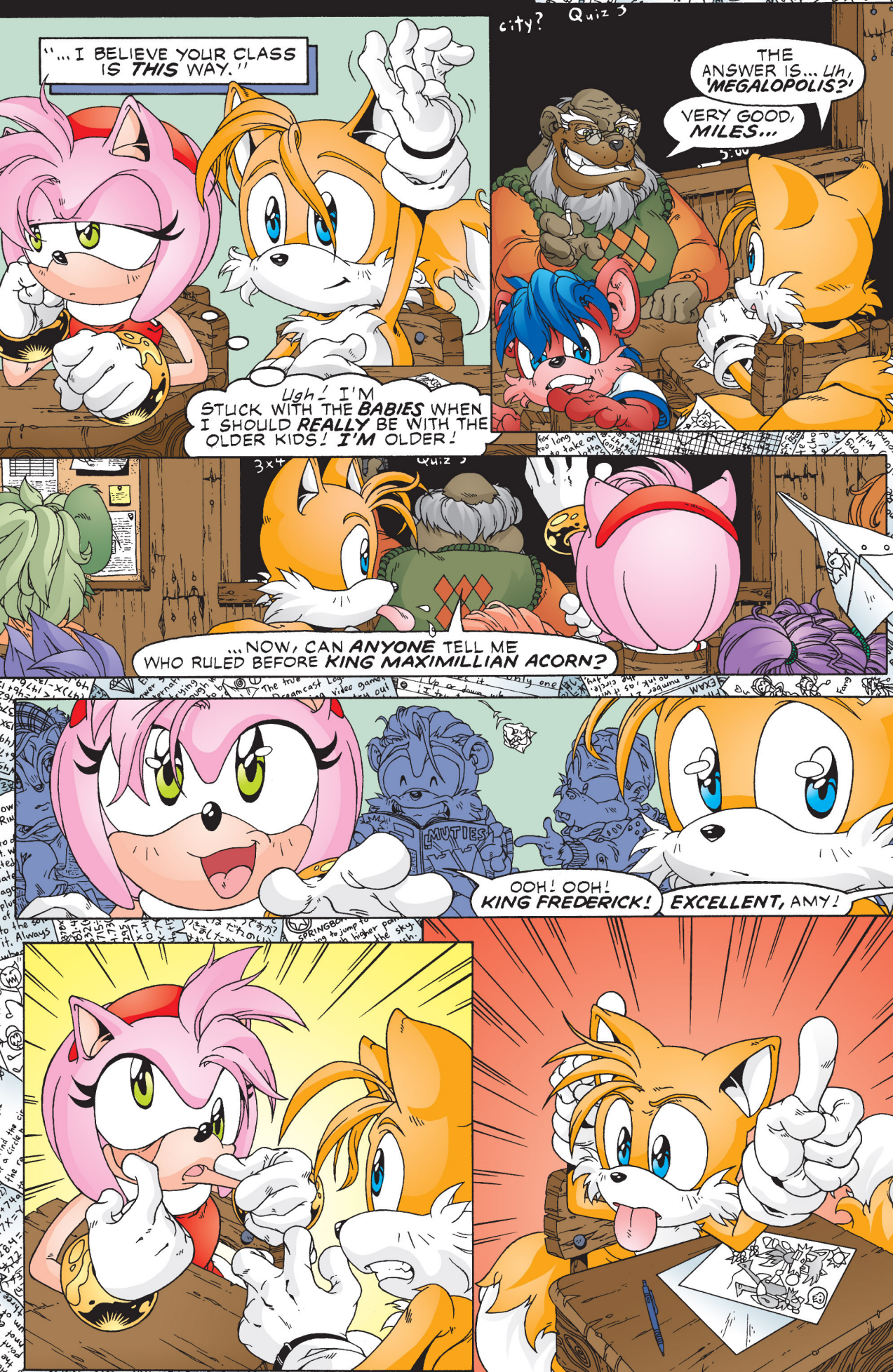
WELL, I SAY IT'S NOT FAIR!
I MEAN, WHOSE IDEA WAS IT FOR US TO GO TO SCHOOL, ANYWAY?
GEOFFREY ST. JOHN...


BUT WHY? WE NEVER HAD TO GO BEFORE!
...A VERY CLOSE PERSONAL FRIEND OF PRINCESS SALLY.
EXACTLY. THAT'S WHY (AND GEOFFREY IS MY FATHER'S CLOSE AND PERSONAL FRIEND BY THE WAY) YOU HAVE TO NOW.
WHEN ROBOTNIK WAS IN ACTION, THINGS WERE DIFFERENT. OUR FOCUS WAS ON REBUILDING THE KINGDOM. NOW THAT HE'S GONE...
...IT'S ON BUILDING THE FUTURE.
BUT I STILL DON'T GET IT TOTALLY.
WELL, THAT'S EASY...
WHY DON'T THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS HAVE TO GO, TOO?


WE NEVER KNOW WHEN WE'RE GOING TO BE CALLED AWAY ON AN IMPORTANT MISSION...
...BUT WE STILL STUDY AND TRAIN DURING OUR SPARE TIME!
KNOTHOLE HIGH SCHOOL
BUT WAIT A SEC, AUNT SALLY...
...I'M A FREEDOM FIGHTER, BUT--
YES, TAILS...YES, YOU ARE A FREEDOM FIGHTER. NOW OFF TO CLASS YOU GO!
"IT IS THY WISH TO LEAVE MERCIA AND RETURN TO KNOTHOLE? WHY, AMY?"~ "BECAUSE I MISS IT, COUSIN ROB!"
MAN, WHAT WAS I THINKING?
COOL! KIDS MY AGE! THIS COULD WORK OUT AFTER ALL!
UH, MISS HEDGE-HOG...


"...I BELIEVE YOUR CLASS IS THIS WAY."
Ugh! I'M STUCK WITH THE BABIES WHEN I SHOULD REALLY BE WITH THE OLDER KIDS! I'M OLDER!
THE ANSWER IS... Uh, 'MEGALOPOLIS?'
VERY GOOD, MILES...
...NOW, CAN ANYONE TELL ME WHO RULED BEFORE KING MAXIMILLIAN ACORN?
OOH! OOH! KING FREDERICK!
EXCELLENT, AMY!

AMY ROSE!
EEP!
I'D LIKE TO SEE YOU AFTER CLASS.
Awww, THIS IS TOTALLY BOGUS! I HATE SCHOOL!!
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Uhh, MISTER PROWER...?
YOU DIDN'T THINK YOU WERE GOING TO GET OFF THAT EASILY, DID YOU?
WELL, I GUESS IT'S NOT THAT BAD...
DETENTION
AMY ROSE
MILES PROWER
JON GRAY
ARTIE
THE END